



OMAHA WELCOMES SECRETARY W. G. McADOO; TALKS ON THE SEVEN BILLION DOLLAR LOAN

ITALIAN FORCES BREAK THROUGH AUSTRIAN LINES

Nine Thousand Prisoners,
Town of Jamiano and Sev-
eral Strong Forts
Are Captured.

(By Associated Press.)
Striking down the coast toward Trieste, the Italians opened the second phase of their offensive with a sweeping victory.
They broke through the entire Austrian line from Castagnavizza to the Adriatic, a front of about five miles, and took more than 9,000 prisoners.
The new drive is a direct menace to Trieste, from which General Cadorna's troops are now less than ten miles distant.

Rome, May 24.—(Via London.)—Italian forces yesterday broke through the Austro-Hungarian lines from Castagnavizza to the sea, taking more than 9,000 prisoners, says the official statement issued today by the Italian war department.
The Italian war office announced that Italian forces had occupied part of the area south of the Castagnavizza-Boscomalo road, have passed Boscomalo and had captured the town of Jamiano and strong forts east of Pietrassica and Bagni.
The Italian official report says the Austro-Hungarians first were surprised and nonplussed. Towards evening they launched counter attacks but were repulsed.
Italian airplanes number 130 dropped ten tons of bombs on the Austro-Hungarians.
The British batteries co-operated with the Italians.

Second Stage of Campaign.
London, May 24.—The Italian offensive has entered into its second stage with new and important gains between Gorizia and the sea, said Major General F. B. Maurice to the Associated Press today.
"We secured a few prisoners during the night as the result of patrol encounters east of Le Verger," says today's war office report on operations along the Franco-Belgian front. "Nothing else interesting occurred."

French Repulse Germans.
Paris, May 24.—German counter attacks near the Vaucelle plateau were repulsed last night with heavy losses, according to an official statement issued this morning. Since May 1 the French have taken 8,600 prisoners in this district.

Germans Try Asphyxiating Gas.
Petrograd, May 24.—(Via London, British Admiralty per Wireless Press.)—The official report issued today:
"On Tuesday the enemy released a wave of asphyxiating gas east of Lippa Dolna, north of Galich, but, thanks to a change in wind, the gas was diverted in the direction of the enemy trenches."

Presbyterians Meet Next at Columbus, O.

Dallas, Tex., May 24.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America (north) today voted unanimously to hold the 1918 assembly at Columbus, O.
Birmingham, Ala., May 24.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States (southern) today decided today by a vote of 142 to 40 in favor of appointing a committee to confer with a like committee from the northern branch of the church on the question of union.

The Weather

For Nebraska—Partly cloudy, probably showers; somewhat cooler.

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Wind	Clouds
5 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
6 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
7 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
8 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
9 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
10 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
11 a. m.	58	W. 10	100
12 m.	58	W. 10	100
1 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
2 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
3 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
4 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
5 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
6 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
7 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
8 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
9 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
10 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
11 p. m.	58	W. 10	100
12 m.	58	W. 10	100

Comparative Local Record.

	1917	1916	1915	1914
Highest temperature...	74	85	80	89
Lowest temperature...	41	44	52	64
Normal temperature...	61	70	66	76
Precipitation...	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20
Deficiency for the day...	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0
Deficiency since March 1...	106	106	106	106
Normal precipitation...	13.1	13.1	13.1	13.1
Excess for the day...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total rainfall since March 1...	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Excess since March 1...	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Excess for the year...	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Excess for the season...	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

Large Subscriptions Made to Liberty Loan

New York, May 24.—Subscriptions already received here have reached such a vast total that predictions were made today that the Liberty loan would be oversubscribed.
Figures are not available as to whether New York state has reached in actual subscriptions the minimum of \$555,000,000 set by the Treasury department, but financiers predicted the New York Federal Reserve district subscriptions will aggregate \$1,000,000,000.

BRITISH TROOP TRANSPORT SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Transylvania Sent to the Bot-
tom of the Mediterranean
With Loss of 413
Lives.

London, May 24.—The British transport Transylvania was torpedoed on May 4, with the loss of 413 persons.
The Transylvania was torpedoed in the Mediterranean. The following official statement was given out today:
"The British transport Transylvania, with troops aboard, was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on May 4, resulting in the following losses: Twenty-nine officers and 373 of other ranks; also the ship's captain, Lieutenant S. Brenell, and one officer and nine men of the crew."

The Transylvania, an Anchor line steamship of 14,315 tons gross, has been in the service of the British government since May, 1915, when its sailings were canceled. There have been no recent reports of its movements. When it was first taken over by the British government it was engaged in transporting troops to Gallipoli.

The Transylvania was built in 1914. It was constructed especially for traffic service between New York and Mediterranean ports. It was 548 feet long and had accommodations for 2,450 passengers.

Kaiser Started War On
Brazil, Says Penciaha

Rio Janeiro, May 24.—Foreign Minister Nilo Pecanha declared in the council of ministers, according to the newspapers, that it was not necessary for Brazil to declare war on Germany because it had been virtually forced into a state of war by circumstances. He said the torpedoing of the Brazilian steamer Tijuca did not essentially modify the situation created by the destruction of the Parana.

Senhor Pecanha said that, in regard to co-operation between Brazil and the United States, the government should devote its entire attention to military and naval organization, especially with respect to collaborating with the United States in the policing of the south Atlantic and should prepare for any eventualities.

After the meeting of the council Senhor Pecanha was asked as to the possibility of Brazil declaring war on Germany. The minister declared: "Brazil declares war on nobody. It defends itself. It is Germany which declares war on all neutrals."

Submarine Disabled By British Freighter

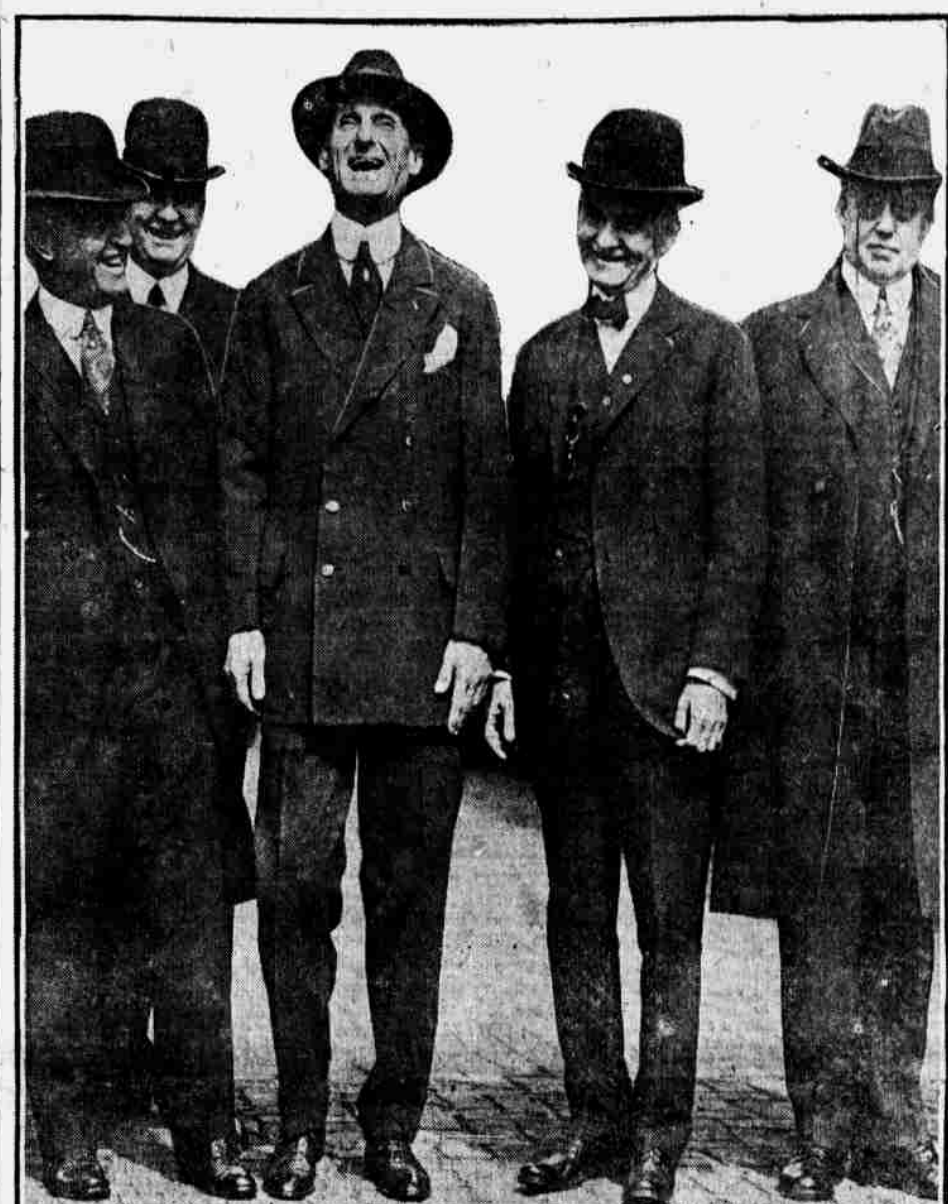
Boston, May 24.—An encounter between the British armed freight steamer Quarrydene and a German submarine off the Irish coast in which the gun crew of the steamer claimed to have made two hits during an exchange of shots was related in a letter received by the agents of the steamer here today.
The Quarrydene, which left here on April 16, carrying a cargo of grain and machinery for Manchester, England, encountered the U-boat on May 2. The Quarrydene was pursued for half an hour by the submarine, which fired twenty-one shots at it while the steamer replied with thirteen.

Negro Slayer Sentenced To Ten Years in the Pen

Joseph Williams, negro, slayer of Henry Martin of the South Side, pleaded guilty to a charge of manslaughter before Judge Sears, sitting in criminal court, and was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The murder occurred on the South Side December 10, 1916. Williams shot Martin to death.
He escaped, but was captured and brought back to Omaha. He was indicted by the grand jury on a charge of first degree murder, the charge being changed later when he consented to plead guilty to manslaughter.

In sentencing Williams the court specified that no application for parole or pardon would be admitted.

SECRETARY McADOO SEEMS TO BE GLAD HE IS HERE—Snapshot taken at the station when met by the local committee. Shown in the picture are: Left to right, Luther Drake, president of Omaha Clearing House association; Sherman Allen, assistant secretary of Federal Reserve Board; Secretary of Treasury McAdoo, Mayor Dahlman and W. P. G. Harding, governor Federal Reserve Board.



BANK ROBBER SHOT TO DEATH AT TUSKAHOMA

One Bandit is Killed and Two
Others Are Dying; Cashier
Prepares Trap for
Them.

Ardmore, Okl., May 24.—As the result of an attempt by three bandits to rob the First State bank at Tuska-homa, Okl., today one of the robbers was shot to death in the bank by a posse and two other bandits are dying from wounds.
A. H. Palmer, cashier of the bank, had been warned that a holdup might be attempted and prepared a trap, as the result of which the bandits were shot down by citizens as they fled from the bank after obtaining \$300.

Train Robber Said to Be Insane Man from Omaha

La Crosse, Wis., May 24.—John Schaeffer, held here on a charge of holding up, single handed, a Chicago & Northwestern railroad passenger train between here and Sparta three weeks ago, is an escaped lunatic, it developed when he was arraigned in court here yesterday. Schaeffer's attorney produced a letter from an asylum at Norfolk, Neb., from which the defendant fled about six months ago, and entered a plea of insanity during the commission of the crime.
Norfolk, Neb., May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—John Schaeffer, whose real name is William J. Wirts, escaped from the State Hospital for Insane here on the night of February 16 last, during a dance at the hospital. The hospital authorities had heard nothing from him until yesterday, a letter saying that Wirts was to have a hearing before an insanity board. He was sent to the hospital here from Omaha, where he has a wife. While here he displayed no criminal tendencies, although he is described by hospital attaches as of a mean disposition. After his escape he was discharged.

Nebraska Potato Company Tenders Services to U. S.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Washington, May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge Kincaid upon request of the officers of the Nebraska Potato company, with general offices at Chadron, owning a string of houses along the Northwestern railroad, presented to the government today through Assistant Secretary Vrooman of the Department of Agriculture the use of all the houses above mentioned during the period of the war.

SAYS CHADRON MIXUP IS PART OF POLICE FIGHT

City Hall Man Declares Lynch
and Sutton Are Combining
to Dislodge Maloney from
the Detective Bureau.

"What is it all about? Why, it is clear enough to those who have been watching the moves," said a city hall man, discussing the Chadron explosion on the Omaha police.
"It's a fight for control of the detective department and incidentally the whole police force. It is notorious that Sutton, as head of the so-called 'morals' squad, is Johnny Lynch's man and has been taking orders and reporting direct to Lynch in complete disregard of Chief of Police Dunn and Commissioner Kugel, although probably with the latter's sanction."
"The records show that Sutton was on the police pay roll nearly a year before Chief Dunn ever knew he was supposed to be working. Sutton has ambition now to become chief of detectives, and that is why the combination is making Maloney the target so as to lay the foundation for dislodging him from the coveted position. Of course, Sutton has no more business with a private detective job up in Chadron than would Maloney if he were really implicated except as the maneuver might clear the track for a promotion for Sutton. It looks inevitable that Maloney and Sutton cannot be part of the same police force very long if discipline and efficiency is to be maintained."

Maloney to Sue Sutton.
"I intend to bring a criminal libel suit against Paul Sutton just as soon as the case is over," Chief of Detectives Maloney said. "I had nothing whatever to do with the Chadron affair and I never knew or saw Mrs. Phelps in my life."
"I notice in an afternoon paper that Mrs. Phelps says she heard someone call me up at Douglas 175 while she was in the Omaha Detective association's office. She never heard anything of the kind, because such a thing did not take place. Everybody knows that my private number and the number on which I am called at the police station is Douglas 3733."

Politics, Says Lynch.

"The whole matter is a thing of politics," Johnny Lynch reiterated. "If the Third ward had anything on me they would have had me out of office long ago."
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BUY WAR BONDS TO AID LIBERTY, SAYS SECRETARY

Treasury Head Tells Conserva-
tion Congress Members U. S.
Must Help Crush Kaiser's
Ambition and Power.

At the close of Secretary McAdoo's talk at the Auditorium yesterday afternoon five-sixths of those present held up their hands and cheered when Dr. Condra called upon all those present who intended purchasing bonds to make a showing of hands.
"It is a pleasure to me to come here and tell you about this war and about the efforts which this government is making to meet the situation," said Secretary McAdoo, in opening his address to the Nebraska state conservation congress yesterday afternoon at the Auditorium.
"I know there have been honest differences as to whether or not America should participate in the world conflict. I am not intollerant in my views. I have no fight with those who differed with me in those views. But now that your representatives in congress have spoken there is nothing to be done or said but to support your leader and president."
"We—America—is just as much interested in stopping this slaughter because we want to save American lives as because we want to save English lives and French lives and Serbian lives and German lives and Austrian lives and the lives of any and all the combatants. We want to save civilization from this crime against the world. Now I happened to know how your great president has striven to keep this nation at peace. I know how he has prayed that we become not embroiled in the conflict. But there are times in the history of nations when we seem beyond the control of human power. This is one of those times. God has brought us into this war. We could not avoid going into this fight. We were drawn into it by a power entirely beyond our control."

Why Does Germany Fight?

"What is Germany fighting for anyway? No one in the outside world knows. Germany has refused to state what she hopes to gain by this war."
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Rumor of Naval Battle Off Coast of Denmark

London, May 24.—Pronounced German naval activity in the Baltic on Tuesday is reported in a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen.

TREASURY HEAD TELLS OF LIBERTY BONDS.



OMAHA BANKS TO BUY 4 MILLIONS LIBERTY BONDS

Clearing House Association
Doubles Amount Already Sub-
scribed by Formal Action
of Its Members.

Omaha banks yesterday afternoon decided to double the amount of their subscriptions to the Liberty bond loan.

Instead of the \$2,000,000 worth of bonds they formerly had decided to purchase, they decided to invest \$4,000,000 in the loan.

Action to increase the subscription was taken at a meeting of the Omaha Clearing House, attended by the nine national banks and two state banks of Omaha. One state bank was not represented, but is understood to be ready to stand its proportional part of the subscription.

Double Original Amount.

"Just a trifle over \$4,000,000," said Manager Hughes of the Clearing house. "That is just about double the amount the banks originally intended subscribing for. The banks will not, at present, make public the individual subscriptions, but prefer to announce the subscription in a lump sum. Later, the individual amounts will be given out."

This was the result of the heart-to-heart talk between Secretary McAdoo and the bankers, held at the breakfast given by the local financiers to the visiting secretary and his party. At this breakfast there were no speeches.

Money Must Work.

Secretary McAdoo told the bankers it would be necessary for money to do its share just as it was for youth to do its bit. He was not dissatisfied with the subscriptions of the Omaha bankers, but asked that each individual bank look into its own affairs and see if it had done the very best that it could do.
The bankers expressed themselves as being anxious to subscribe for all the Liberty bonds the state will absorb.

Best Investment in World.

"These bonds are the best security in the world," said Senator Millard, president of the Omaha National bank. "Any man with \$1,000 or less or more can do no better than to invest in them. As president of the Omaha National I will say that any man with one of these bonds can borrow money at our bank at the very lowest rate of interest and the bond is all the security that will be asked. If the United States government is not good security I don't know what is. So, a man with a few hundred dollars can be sure that he can always raise money on these bonds just as though he had the actual cash."

New Red Cross War Council Begins Its Work

Washington, May 24.—The new Red Cross war council, headed by Henry P. Davison, began its first conference here today, making plans for the \$100,000,000 war relief fund. Representatives of more than forty cities were present.

The \$100,000,000 fund is to be used not only for relief for Americans, but also for the destitute in the foreign zones, whatever their nationality.

Easterners Figure on Big Pickle Factory for Omaha

Members of a corporation producing pickles in four eastern states are in Omaha contemplating the establishment of a plant here that will involve the expenditure of \$150,000 and the employment of about 100 people, according to local business men.

First Academy Class At Annapolis Will Finish Year Early

Washington, May 24.—The present first class of the naval academy will be graduated June 23, next, a year ahead of their time, in order to provide additional officers for the fleet of submarine chasers.

M'ADOO MAKES HIT WITH ALL AT FOOD MEET

Secretary's Plea to Buy Lib-
erty Bonds Responded to
by Five-Sixths of
Big Crowd.

Secretary McAdoo captured the Nebraska State Conservation congress at the Auditorium yesterday afternoon. He was listened to attentively by 2,500 men and women, who were so pleased with his plea that five-sixths of them promised, by a showing of hands, to buy at least one Liberty bond each.

C. E. Burham of Norfolk, a member of the board of the local reserve bank, presided and introduced Mr. McAdoo as the "premier bond salesman of the world."

Represents "Best Customer."

"This is an honor, indeed," said Mr. Burham. "An honor to introduce to you a man who will speak on the patriotic sale of the Liberty bonds. It is an honor to bring to you the representative of the best customer in all the world. He is the credit man of the United States government. He will tell you why each of you should go home with the avowed determination to give your government your best assistance."

Just as he entered the big building Secretary McAdoo was accosted by Mrs. Beulah Dale Turner, dressed as a Red Cross nurse. "Won't you buy a Red Cross button?" she asked, with a smile.

Buys Red Cross Button.

"Sure I will—for the smile, if for no other reason," answered the secretary. "But you must pin it to my lapel."
The scheme must have been a "put-up job" for a movie machine on the exact spot, and while Mrs. Turner was pinning the button on Mr. McAdoo, the speaker turned his crank like fury.

The audience rose to its feet as Secretary McAdoo took the platform. "Can't some of you people start America?" asked Dr. Condra, head of the Conservation congress.

Somebody could—and did. Mr. McAdoo joined in, singing a rather pretty tenor, just like he was used to going to church and singing in the choir.

Board Governor Speaks.

After Mr. McAdoo's address, W. P. Harding, governor of the Federal Reserve Board, was called upon and said:

"It does me good to stand here and look into the faces of so many earnest, intelligent-looking bondholders—for within thirty days every one of you will be a bondholder. You can't resist after the wonderful appeal to which you have just listened."

Appeals to Patriotism.

"It's going to cost us, I fear, much American blood and much American money to win this war. But did you ever stop and think what it will cost us to lose the conflict? How would we feel, if with the English and French fleets turned against us, we are asked for subscriptions for an indemnity to Germany instead of for Liberty bonds for Uncle Sam?"

"We are going to send 1,000,000 men abroad. Surely for each one who goes to the trenches there are ten men who remain behind, but who will help equip him to fight. Since I have been in the great west I have learned to call our Liberty bonds our Victory bonds."

At the close of the meeting, lead by Dr. Condra, the audience yelled "He's all right" for Secretary McAdoo, for President Wilson, for Nebraska and for the doctor himself. Then, in answer to the appeal of Dr. Condra that all those who would not pledge themselves to buy at least one bond, raise their hands, fully five-sixths of those present raised their right hands.

U. S. Engineers and Nurses Are Popular in London

London, May 24.—The engineers from the American army who have arrived in England made a call early today on Ambassador Page and later separated for a series of conferences with war office officials in regard to their various specialties. They were entertained at luncheon by the earl of Derby, secretary for war.

American khaki was very much in evidence in London today. A number of additional officers and hospital units have arrived, and nurses, especially of the Cleveland and Harvard units, in their blue uniforms, with white arm bands labeled with the insignia of the American Red Cross, already have become a familiar sight to the London public.

More than 1,000 persons belonging to the American army are now in Great Britain.

Senate Adjourns Out of Respect to Lane's Memory

Washington, May 24.—Out of respect for the late Senator Lane of Oregon, who died in San Francisco last night, the senate adjourned last night immediately upon convening its session.